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God's Stars Fight **Against Sinners**

By Evangelist Lennard Darbee

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"They fought from Heaven; the stars in their courses fought against Sisera"—Judges 5:20.

I have just been reading from Judges 5:20 the exultant song of triumph that the prophetess Deborah sang after one of the big-gest military upsets in all history. You will remember that Sisesa came forward with an imposing string of victories behind him. The best Israel could produce was to oppose him with Barak, a general who had no victories and no experience of any kind. Not only so, but Barak was a downright coward.. He said to Deborah, "If thou wilt go with me, then I will go: but if thou wilt not go with me, then I will not go" (Judges 4:8). The woman had to go up with the general in order for him to fight. Furthermore, he had no war machines, to speak of; and Sisera had nine hundred iron chariots and an unbroken string of victories extending down through a period of twenty years. Yet somehow Barak beat him.

could this unknown defeat this seasoned campaigner of twenty years? The answer is, according to the prophetess, that Barak did not be that there would not be five beat him. She said, 'We had nothing to do with it. The stars beach head alive, and almost in their courses fought against Sisera. God was against him.' And if God was against him, he could not win. He was a defeated man before he ever stepped on the field all the calm weather, there was

Now why do the stars fight against a man? Why did they fight against Sisera? First of all, the character of his cause was the reason he simply could not win.

The Stars Fought Against Hitler

In our day we have seen the same thing. We saw Adolf Hitler and his armies sweep over all of



You say, "How in the world Europe. Then we saw Heaven step in and start to fight.

First of all you remember that day at Dunkirk when Hitler boastbeach head alive, and almost 300,000 of them got off. And that day was one of the rare days in history when the English Channel was as smooth as glass. Yet with a low flying fog so that the German bombers could not hit them.

You say, "What on earth hap-pened?" That's simple; the stars in their courses fought against

There was another day, you will remember, when Rommel, the great German general, was moving across the battlefield of El Alamein. Everything was going his (Continued on page 4)

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Others. By the Editor

The big Conferences on Revival and Soul Winning sponsored by THE SWORD OF THE LORD have already transformed the lives of thousands of people. Hardly a day goes by but that some pastor or evangelist writes to tell what one of these conferences has done in his ministry. We suggest that you select the conference, and the date most suitable for you, this summer and plan now to attend. The four great conferences at Lake Arrowhead, New York, at Lake Louise, Toccoa, Georgia, at Cedar Lake, Indiana, at Baptists State Assembly Ground, Siloam Springs, Arkansas, cover four great sections of the country. We make these Spirit-filled conferences for spiritual rejuvenation and battery charging, and renewal of Christian joy, close enough for nearly anybody to attend. Will you make your plans now, and attend one or more of these conferences?

Every Christian worker, every lay Christian, needs the quiet rest away from the world of business and the cares of job for a little time of relaxation, rest, Christian fellowship, with time for study and prayer, and with teaching by great soul winners, Spirit-filled men of God. Don't miss your opportunity this summer! People will attend from several provinces of Canada and from nearly every state in the union. You will make friends from all over this land. You will be fitted for soul win-ning as never before You will be inspired with Christian joy and have a new and living touch with the Saviour, if you take advantage of the privileges offered in these great conferences

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to more people face to face than any man living. He has been an evangelist for fifty-one years. His great crowds and results in the heyday of revival in America were second only to those of the immortal Billy Sunday. We are so glad to have him on some of these programs, Dr. Joe Henry Hankins is a Spirit-filled preacher with passion and power. Dr. Bob Shuler of Los Angeles, after having him in the big Trinity Methodist Church, called him the best evangelist in America. Dr. Lee Roberson, pastor of the Highland Park Baptist Church, Chattanooga, president of Tennessee Temple College and Southeastern Baptist Seminary, has won many thousands of souls and is one of the freshest, most interesting and most Spirit-uplifting preachers we have ever heard. How he does in-spire and bless one! The power of God is upon him. Dr. E. J. Daniels of Florida is a princely gentleman, and impassioned soul winner, and one of the most successful of evangelists. Evangelist dous usefulness, their power from Louis Wunneburger has been for a number of years on the Evangelistic Staff of the Texas Baptist

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PARAMOUNT STEPS TO REVIVAL

By Evangelist Douglas Winn 911 Myrtle Road, Martinsville, Virginia (Preached at the Sword Of The Lord Conference on Evangelism

"O Lord, I have heard thy speech, and was afraid: O Lord, revive thy work in the midst of the years, in the midst of the years make known; in wrath remember mercy."-

Cedar Lake Indiana, July 20th, 1949).

In the first chapter of this Old Testament Book this man of God looked out upon his country and witnessed the mountains of sin on every hand. He observed that the children of Israel made their animals sacrifices, sang the Psalms of Zion, enjoyed their great Feast of Tabernacles, but yet they returned to their homes and continued to live deliberately in sin.

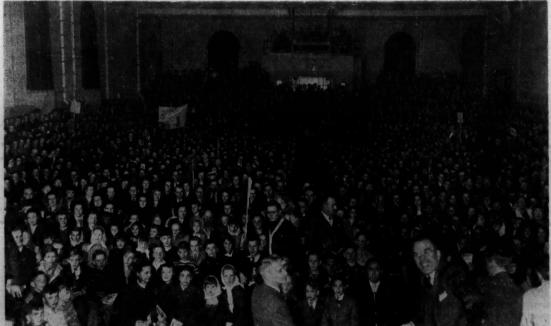
If you will look out upon America you will see a parallel condition. There are so many professors but I fear too few possessors. Multitudes have a form of godliness but deny the power thereof. This prophet was tremendously burdened concerning the wickedness of his people. And if ever God's people should realize the great need of revival, that time is now. This burden drove Habakkuk to his knees, and in the words of our text you can hear the pangs of a broken heart as he sobs for a spiritual awakening.

Beloved, I stand before you to say that our country is doomed unless we get back to God. Doesn't your heart yearn for a revival that will sweep from Carolina to California from Cedar Lake to Miami, to Seattle, to Boston, to San Diego? Sodom could not have been an more wicked than is this nation. What will it take to bring

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2,000 CROWD RICE REVIVAL AT PRESQUE ISLE, MAINE



Part of the Monday night crowd, March 27, in the union revival campaign at Presque Isle, Maine, where the editor, Evangelist John R. Rice, is preaching. The building, supposed to seat 1,500 or a few more, was jammed and packed to capacity. The picture does not show the choir on the platform, nor many children and young people sitting on the platform, standing in the wings, sitting on the stairs. Many stood throughout the service. State fire marshal was present, and sent firemen to watch the doors on succeeding nights to shut out any beyond capacity. Seventy people came forward to claim Christ as Saviour and were dealt with individually in the inquiry room by pastors and others.

From Nature to Grace

By the late Dr. James M. Gray

"That being justified by his grace, we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life."—Titus 3:7.

Titus was a young minister set in charge of the churches the Island of Crete, in the Mediterranean, near the mouth of the Aegean Sea. But Paul, now advanced in years and soon to finish his course, is traveling in Macedonia, and addresses this letter to his son in the faith, telling him how he ought to behave himself in the house of God. In other words, he is exhorting and instructing Titus as to the way in which he, in turn, should exhort and instruct the different classes of Christians under his charge. It is in connection with these exhortations and instructions that he gives us in chapter 3 this wonderful salvation classic, as it might be called, and which, in a few verses, reveals the whole scheme of the gospel, from the beginning to the end, from the start to the finish. It commences thus:

"Put them in mind to be subject to principalities and powers, to obey magistrates, to be ready to every good work, to speak evil of no man, to be no brawlers, but gentle, showing all meekness unto all men. For we ourselves also were sometimes foolish, disobedient, deceived, serving divers lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful and hating one another. But after that the kindness and love of God our Savlour toward man appeared, not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost; which he shed on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Saviour; that being justified by his grace, we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life. This is a faithful saying, and these things I will that thou affirm constantly, that they which have believed in God might be careful to maintain good works. These things are good and profitable unto men."

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Such is the condition in which these people of Crete were before they became Christians, Paul including himself also in the description. He says: "We ourselves." And this indeed means every one of us as we were by nature, and before we accepted Jesus Christ as our Lord and Saviour-a description, too, of every man and woman and child who is yet out of Christ. Look at it in detail. "We were sometimes foolish." "Sometimes" really means "all the time" from our physical birth to our spiritual rebirth in Christ. We were foolish, not in the sense of imbecility, but in that indicated in the next word, "disobedient." No man is so foolish as he who disobeys God in anything.

Here we have, first, our condi- But we were disobedient to God

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because we were "deceived," ceived by sin, by Satan, by the glamour of the world, by the darkness and ignorance of our own hearts. It is because we were thus deceived that we were disobedient to God. But being deceived, we were doing what? "Serving divers lusts and pleasures." In other words, instead of serving God we were serving ourselves. The word "lusts" must not be taken in the limited sense now used of unchasteness, but in the broader sense, as including all desires and gratifications contrary to the question and secure assurance.) will of God for us. We were seeking to do our own will, and to please ourselves in all things. As the result, we were "living in malice and envy." This must be true in the very nature of the case. If I am serving my lusts and pleasures, and you are doing the same, of course I am crossing your lines continually and you are crossing-mine. And if this be true, then, necessarily, we are "living in malice and envy." And because we are thus living we are "hateful," full of hate ourselves, and objects of hate on the part of others. And so the picture concludes with the declaration that we were "hating one another."

Let no man say that this is not a true description of what he was before he found Christ. Indeed, if he has really found Him, he will admit its truth to the uttermost, and if he denies it, it might well be regarded as an evidence that he is still in his sins. An illustrative incident occurs to me. I had my picture taken with a group of gentlemen on a certain occasion, and on seeing it was particularly impressed with its good appearance. Now, like most public men in these modern days, I am called upon frequently for a photograph for advertising purposes, so that it has become necessary to have a supply on hand. But also like many of them, I dislike having a picture taken. Therefore, on beholding this, an idea came to me. If the artist could cut me out from the group in some way, and run off a number of copies of myself alone, it would save me the inconvenience of sitting again for several years.

Entering the studio and laying down the picture, I explained the object of my visit. "Oh," said the lady in attendance, "if you will give us a sitting we will obtain a much better photograph of you than that.'

"No," I replied, "I believe it impossible. That is the best photograph of myself I ever saw, In fact," I added, my pride rising to the occasion, "my picture is the best of the group. See my friend, for example,"-pointing to a gen-

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First Letter Month Letters

From among the thousands of Letter Month letters three of the first to reach THE SWORD OF THE LORD headquarters are quoted. Still time to send your letter

By Charles T. Lampman, Managing Editor

From among the first letters received in the current Letter Month campaign the following have been selected. Choosing from the wonderful selection available was difficult because almost all of the thousands of letters told of God's

One of the most urgent letters came from a New York reader of THE SWORD OF THE LORD, who revealed his need of salvation and since then I have enjoyed and assurance. He wrote:

Immigrant Seeks Christ

"I have read and studied your copy: What Must I Do to Be Saved? I found your copy in a car which I bought, and I am thankful to the owner who left it in there. Please would you send me some more copies of Christian literature? I am like a lost sheep, who can't find its way back. I am twenty years old, and two and a half years in this country. know there is salvation through Christ, but I just can't find the way to come to Him."

(Dr. Rice, although tremendously busy in his Presque Isle, Maine, evangelistic meetings, wrote a long letter explaining in detail how this young man could settle the

Second Hand Blessing

Another interesting letter came from a Sunday school teacher in Los Angeles who wrote:

"It was my good fortune to become acquainted with your publication THE SWORD OF THE LORD quite recently through an aunt who has been saving her copies for me. I would like to tell you how delighted I have been with every issue.

"I have read Dr. Rice's Bible Facts About Heaven and use it for reference work all the time. Enjoyed your Eddie Wagner when he was at Rosewood Park some weeks ago; and Billy Graham first won my admiration when he spoke at our Los Angeles Chris-Beach last spring, later hearing him at his Los Angeles campaign this winter; so it was like meeting old friends when I discovered THE SWORD OF THE LORD.

"I enclose a check covering my subscription. I cannot wait for my copies second-handed any longer. I am keeping every copy with the expectation of binding them somehow as I keep referring to them over and over again and expect to for years to come.'

He Takes Sword to Work From Medicine Hat, Alberta, a

young fellow wrote expressing his appreciation for THE SWORD. He said, in part:

"A few weeks ago I had the privilege of reading my first copy

of THE SWORD OF THE LORD, every one. They have all been a great blessing and spiritual help to me.

"I've taken several copies of THE SWORD to work with me, and when I have a few spare minutes I read as much as I can.

"I am just a young man and have been encouraged and inspired to go on working for God through your paper."

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From Nature to Grace

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tleman in the group by my side, of Jesus Christ.

--"how he squints."

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"Oh, but you also squint," she said. "Please look at yourself through this," handing me a small magnifying glass.

I looked, and happily, just then, another client entered the room, attracting the lady's attention. Whereupon, improving the opportunity, and leaving the picture on the counter, I turned my back upon it, walking down the stairs as quietly as if they were car-peted with velvet. The Spirit of God, taking advantage of the occasion also, seemed to be hammering into my conscience those solemn words of Romans 3:19: "Now we know that what things soever the law saith, it saith to them who are under the law: that every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may become guilty before God." I had a revelation of sin, the sin in my own heart and life, brought home to me that day, such as I had not for many days.

And it is something like that would do for you just now. I would put the magnifying glass of God's Word, so much of it as is found in this single verse, upon your hearts and conscience, that you might see yourselves by nature as God sees you, and be thus prepared to hearken to and appreciate the offer of His grace. We have here, in the second place, our change from nature to grace:

"But after that the kindness and love of God our Saviour toward man appeared, not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Ghost; which he shed on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Saviour."

Observe the source of our change-the kindness and love of God, the means, the regeneration and renewing of the Holy Ghost and the ground, the finished work

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Let us consider the source. The "kindness" of God means His kindness in a general sense towards all. The 'love of God our Saviour toward man" means that kindness in the special sense of the salvation He has provided for lost sinners. The word "appeared" is interesting. God's kindness and love were seen in the Old Testament days as well as in the New, but it was then like the dawn of a new day which now has reached its noontide. It has now appeared. That the kindness and the love of God is expressed in mercy is emphasized by the declaration that it was "not by works of righteousness which we have done . . . he saved us." In other words, His salvation is a free gift without merit or deserving on our part.

Let us consider the means. There are two things which the Holy Ghost does, or is doing, to bring about our change from nature to grace; the first is our regeneration; the second, our renewal. The first refers to our new birth, our becoming new creatures in Christ Jesus; while the second means the maintenance of that new life thus begun in Christ Je-

Take the analogy of our physical life. A child is just born into the world. He has life, but it must be maintained and continued from day to day, and week to week, and month to month, and year to year, if he shall live; and his Creator has made provision for it. But what is true in the physical is true as well in the spiritual sense When God begins this new work in us, He perfects it unto the day of Jesus Christ. He not only regenerates, but renews from day to day, and week to week, and month to month, and year to year. Ah, no unsaved man need hesitate to commit himself to Jesus Christ for salvation! God not only regenerates the believer, makes him entirely over, creating within him a new, heart and renewing within him a right spirit, but continually gives him a supply of the Spirit of Christ Jesus, that he may be able to please Him in all things.

This leads us to consider the ground. This regeneration and renewing of the Holy Ghost is what God has shed upon us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Saviour. You remember that John the Baptist, in witnessing to Jesus as "the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world," said that He was the One who baptized with the Holy Ghost. "therefore being by the right hand of God exalted, and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost, he hath shed forth this, which ye now see and hear." There words were spoken by Peter on the day

of Pentecost, and from that day until this God has been pouring out the Holy Ghost as the result of the finished work of Jesus on the cross, regenerating and renewing His people.

Notice, therefore, how our change from nature to grace is the work of the triune God. God the Father, loving us and expressing His mercy towards us; God the Son, dying for us upon the cross, and purchasing us with His own blood; and God the Holy Ghost, taking of the things of Christ and showing them unto us, regenerating and renewing us in the strength of God from day to day. What a God and Saviour we have! What a salvation is this which God has given us in Christ!

Finally, we have our condition

"That being justified by his grace, we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life. This is a faithful saying, and these things I will that thou affirm constantly, that they which have believed in God might be careful to maintain good works. These things are good and profitable unto men."

Observe that our condition by grace is one of freedom, we have been "justified by his grace"; one of hope, "we have been made heirs according to the hope of eternal life"; and one of obligation, "that they which have believed in God might be careful to maintain good works.'

Look at the condition of freedom: "That being justified by his grace." What is the meaning of "justified?" Some think that to be "justified" is simply to be forgiven. But the word represents something greater still. The justified man, and he is every man who has come to God in Christ, is not only forgiven but regarded in God's sight as though he had never sinned. He is a man against whom God has no charge to lay forever.

I have seen this illustrated by the case of the French military officer, Captain Dreyfus. You remember that he was charged with selling French military secrets to the German army and court-martialed for it. And because he was a Jew his hearing was utterly unfair, and in the face of evidence he was accounted guilty, and banished to Devil's Island. But there were friends who kept agitating for a second trial, and when this was had, again in the face of evidence, he was found guilty. Now, however, the President of France, to save the face of the nation, pardoned him. Captain Dreyfus was free. He could go where he

pleased and do what he liked. But he is not satisfied with pardon; nor are his friends, nor a large portion of France satisfied with it. The whole world, indeed, has awakened to the unfairness of the judgment, and cried out for another trial that the pardoned man might be justified. The third trial is granted, and at last Captain Dreyfus is "justified" of the crime. He is not pardoned now, but something different and some thing better. He is now regarded in the eyes of France and of the world as one who never committed the crime. There are only two ways in which a man can be justified of a crime. One is on the ground of innocence, the other on the ground of paying the penalty for it. Captain Dreyfus was justified on the ground of innocence, for he was innocent. You and I cannot be justified of sin on the ground of innocence, for we are not innocent, but guilty. But we who have accepted Jesus

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Commendng Evangelist W. J. Morris, Pine Bluff

The editor has received fine commendations from pastors and others of the work of Evangelist W. J. Morris, 1415 W. 16th Avenue, Pine Bluff, Arkansas. Editor B. H. Duncan of Arkansas Baptist, Baptist official state paper, writes endorsing Brother Morris as a true Bible preacher, with experience as both pastor and evangelist. Brother Duncan says, "He is co-operative with the pastor and effective in building church unity and winning the lost.'

A number of pastors who have had Brother Morris in their churches say that he is a fine gospel singer, a fervent and sensible Bible preacher, that he gets good results and souls saved and the people built up.

I understand that Brother Morris has been greatly used both as a gospel singer and a preacher, and pastors needing such a man should prayerfully write Brother

Jim Mercer Finishes His Martinsburg, (Pa.) Campaign

Under the sponsorship of the

Cove Christian Laymen's Association, Jim Mercer led "the largest religious gathering of its kind ever held" in the Martinsburg area. For the final meetings the revival was taken to the Morrison Cove High School auditorium where extra seats were put in to accommodate the overflow.

Guy S. Clapper, secretary of the association, said that this has been the greatest evangelistic campaign ever held in the Cove. He added: The crowds have been larger than ever before and there have

been more public decisions for Christ in this meeting." Evangelist Mercer can be reach-ed at 1222 W. 50th Street, Minneapolis, Minn.

G. P. Comer Concludes Revival at Princeton, Ky.

J. F. Callender, Pastor Ogden Memorial Church, Princeton, Kentucky, says: "On February 12, Sunday evening, at midnight, we concluded a two-week revival that has shaken our church and changed the entire complexion of it's constituency. The oldest members are agreed that never in the history of Ogden Memorial Methodist

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Christ are justified on the other ground that we have paid 'the penalty of our sins, every particle of it, not in and of ourselves, but in the person of our substitute, who died "the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God." Glory to God for a salvation that not only pardons, but justifies!

But our condition by nature is also one of hope. We are "made heirs according to the hope of eternal life," or, as the Revised Version puts it, "that we might be made heirs of eternal life, according to hope." That is, we are already heirs of eternal life, only as yet we have not entered unto the full consummation of it, nor shall we do so until our bodies are raised from the dead, and glorified, like unto Christ's own glorious body. But although we have not as yet entered into that fullness of eternal life, we are, nevertheless, heirs of it, according to hope. We have the hope of it in our hearts based on the promises of a God who cannot lie. Now, God might have forgiven us without justifying us, and He might have justified us without making us heirs of eternal life; but He has been pleased to do all that. "The Spirit himself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are tion afterwards. God only puts salthe children of God, and if children then heirs; heirs of God, and jointheirs with Jesus Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together."

Of what is Jesus Christ heir? The Scriptures tell us that as the God-man He "hath been appointed heir of all things." If, then, we are joint-heirs with Him, what He has we have throughout eternity!

Finally, our condition is one of obligation. And how simple and practical the obligation is, namely, 'that they which have believed in God might be careful to maintain good works."

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He does not say "great works." There are few of us who could maintain them. We cannot all build hospitals and churches, or give up our lives to work on the foreign field. But while we cannot do great works, there is none of us who cannot maintain good works if we desire. Moreover, the Spirit of God intimates just what He means by good works, which are the common, everyday things that you and I have the opportunity and ability to do, if we will. He does this in the preceding chapter.

Here are the "good works"sobriety, temperateness, soundness in the faith, in love, in patience, not falsely accusing one another, not being given to wine; loving one's husband and children, being discreet, chaste, workers at home; not purloining, if servants, but showing all good fidelity; obedient to employers, pleasing them well in all things, and adorning the doctrine of our God and Saviour.

And notice another thing. Notice where the Spirit of God puts the good works! He does not put them before salvation, but after it. In this we see the difference between the religion of God and the many religions of men. Every natural religion, every religion of the vation first, and good works after-

wards. He does not say: "Be careful to maintain good works, that is, cease being foolish, disobedient, deceived, and serving divers lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful, and hating one another, and I will be kind to you, and love you and show mercy unto you." The world and its false religions would say that. But He says: "You are foolish, you are disobedient, you are deceived, you are serving divers lusts and pleasures, you are living in malice and envy, hateful, and hating one another. Yet, nevertheless, I love you, I have mercy on you, I give my only begotten Son to die for you, I save you, I regenerate you, I renew you, I justify you, I make you an heir of eternal life—now be careful to maintain good works!" He puts us first in a place where we can do good works, and then

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says: "Be careful to do them."

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Church has there ever been such crowds and interest as there was in this meeting. From the first morning service they came with ever increasing numbers. The last two morning services exceeded three hundred, with many business places closing for an hour. On the two week ends (Saturday and Sunday) at the evening service, we were unable to seat the people.

"I have never seen any man give himself so completely, and expend so much physical energy as does Brother Comer. His messages were powerful, pointed, and practical. As a result of this great meeting more than a hundred rededicated and reconsecrated their lives. Sixty-one pledged to tithe; 108 individuals pledged to erect family altars; many who never prayed in public are now able to pray without embarrassment. The Sunday school has been growing in attendance almost every Sunday, and despite the rain on the last Sunday of the revival we had 317 in Sunday school. We are organizing a new Sunday school class.

"We received fifteen by profession of faith and baptism into the Church and ten by transfer and renewing of their vows, making a total of twenty-five with five joining other churches as a result of the Revival.

"I wish to recommend Brother Comer (Box 5889, Dallas, Texas) Methodist Church that wants an old-time revival of heartfelt religion. He is a friend of sinners, but hates sin."

Ray Cutchin Blessed in **Northstar Meetings**

Ray Cutchin reports God's blessing on the meetings he has been conducting in Northstar, Michigan.

"The first meeting was in Bee-be Methodist Church in which there were 28 saved. Some of the oldtimers said it was the best revival they had ever had. The Holy Spirit was really working, and if the roads had not been so boggy, there would have been many more unsaved to attend. There was real conviction on every hand."

Sin-smashing Revival In Danville, Illinois

The "Christ for Danvilleland" revival campaign opened on February 27th and continued for two weeks. The report of Dr. Mitchell S. Seidler, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Danville, testifies to the success of the campaign:

"The two week sin-smashing 'Christ for Danvilleland' revival campaign conducted by Evangelist Hyman J. Appelman came to a glorious close on Sunday, March duced, the greatest soldier of his 12th. There were 1403 totally recorded and personally dealt with decisions, of which 1061 were first decisions, of which 1061 were first statesman. He was a great patriot.

homes served as prayer centers for ask me why Robert E. Lee was deweeks prior to the campaign, and feated, I answer that he could 200 to 300 prayer meetings were conducted weekly throughout the he was on and while God was in 25 sections of the city.

Joe Rice Sees Souls Won In Conway, Arkansas

This cheerful report came from Rev. Chester Ware, Pastor Second Baptist Church, Conway Arkansas.

"I have before me the results of the meeting just closed in our church, which was led by Brother Joe Rice. The pathos of his pleading coupled with the flower of his preaching, all with the breath of the Holy Spirit upon it, endear him to many of our people's hearts.

The Lord brought 32 forward during the 8 days campaign, 25 of whom were saved, 4 came by let-ter, and 19 came for baptism, 1 surrendered to be a nurse. There also were many rededications."

Jon A. Pirtle in Georgia Enjoys God's Blessing Evangelist Jon Pirtle, Box 4837,

Atlanta, Georgia, reports:

"Closed a meeting in College Park, Georgia, on February 17. God gave us a tremendous victory there. Every night the auditorium would not hold the people and they had to sit in Sunday school rooms behind the building. Rain or shine they just kept on coming. During the two week meeting we had seventy-five professions of faith and transfers of membership.

"From there I went to the First Baptist Church of Linton, Indiana, where God gave another great revival. This two week meeting ended on March 3. In the first service I preached to less than seventy-five people. At the end of the first week more than five hundred people overflowed the auditorium into extra rooms. There were fifty-six professions of faith and transfers of membership. Again, the people said it was their greatest revival.

"As I write now, I am in Dalton, Georgia, where God is giving Mt. Rachel Baptist Church its greatest meetings, according to end of town for Christ."

pastor and people. Eleven souls came last night's service."

Devil Got in Furnace But **Meetings Go On**

Evangelist F. A. Wirth, 221 S. Main Street, Petersburg, Illinois, gives this graphic report of God's dealings with him in meetings at Stilson, Iowa

"God gave us a real blessing in a Revival Meeting at Stilson, Iowa started March 8 and closed 19. The first night the Devil got in the furnace and we could not get the building warm, so we had a short prayer meeting. The next night we had a fair meeting and then a blizzard swept Iowa and hindered the next two nights. We finally got the meetings under way on Sunday. During the week 23 came forward for salvation. The captain of the Britt, Iowa, football team was saved and gave a wonderful

"We are at present in a meeting in Chicago. Rev. Timothy Barrett is the pastor and a real soul winner. There were about twentyfive who reconsecrated their lives and confessed their sins Sunday night. Then last night two came for salvation. Yesterday afternoon one young mother was saved in her home and was out to meeting

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may have to produce results. I am relying on the presence and power of God in speaking over the air to the hearts of men. You cannot see Him but, brother, you can feel His power when God starts to speak!

Several years ago a woman, an English noblewoman who was in sin, said, "I've fallen into deep sin and I want to know what God is going to do about it. I am not going to let anybody know who I am. I will go to hear Mr.

Spurgeon."

She put on a coat with a heavy fur collar, put on a broad-brim-med hat with a heavy veil, pulled the veil down over her eyes, pulled the collar of her coat up, and slipped into his upper gallery late in the service. Just as she was coming into the gallery Mr. Spurgeon was on his feet and startwife of Jeroboam; why feignest thou thyself to be another? for I am sent to thee with heavy tidings" (I Kings 14:6). The moment she heard that she said, "I can't see the armies of Heaven but, believe me, I can feel that better get right!" and she got right with God.

I tell you, my friend, though you cannot see God, He is real. His power can be felt, and you can get in touch with Him so that you can hear the stars march.

You may say, "Well, if the stars march, when do they march?" a look at the crucial mo-(Continued on page 5)

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There's only a few days left in which to get your letter in the mail. Don't miss the blessing that awaits you. Help us to encourage hew 12:30 says, "He that is not the power of God is here. I'd Dr. Rice's heart as he continues to with me is against me; and he better get right!" and she got pour out his very life in evangelispour out his very life in evangelistic efforts.



God's Stars Fight Against Sinners

(Continued from page 1) way. He had one thousand picked in the other direction? Somebody troops ready for a charge. He said, "This is it; let's go!"

The British had been defeated, apparently; and as they retreated they salted their wells so that the Germans could not get fresh water. Then they laid new lines, new water mains, in order to get some water for their own troops. Suddenly as Rommel's troops advanced, parched with thirst, they saw these pipes laid out in the desert. Some of you may have read what happened. They took their rifles and nicked the tops of the pipes. They said, "We've got to have water!" They nicked the tops of the pipes in a hundred different places. Then the thousand troops ran forth. But what they did not know was this: the British troops, in order to conserve water, were sending ing against you. salt water through the mains in order to test them. And when the German troops tasted the salt water and realized that their thirst could not be slaked, one thousand of them put their hands up over their heads, went forward and

instantly surrendered. You say, "That is an amazing thing; what made that freak play in the war?" We answer that God was fighting against the forces of Germany and they simply could

not win. Somebody says, "I am not a Hitler. I am not intentionally taking the wrong side." Let me sound a note of warning. One of the day was Robert E. Lee. He was time professions of faith in Christ. He was a great Christian. Yet
"Approximately 300 Danville somehow he was defeated. If you not win while he was on the side the field. You will remember that he espoused the cause of state rights, and in our day of unwieldly central government a number of us would say that he was dead right there. But, my friends, the moment slavery became involved, God was moving in the other di-

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else says, "I'm good: I pay my debts. I love my family. I turn ing to preach. She stepped into from all known sin." It is not the gallery; he looked up in her what you turn from that saves direction and to her amazement you, it is who you turn to. Jesus she heard these words aimed says, "I am the way, the truth, straight at her: "Come in, thou and the life; no man cometh unto the Father, but by me" (John 14:

You ask, "Do you mean that the stars are fighting against me? I'm not opposing Christ." Wait a not opposing minute! Jesus speaking in Mattthat gathereth not with me scat-tereth abroad." You have either made a public profession of your faith in Christ and accepted Him as your Saviour or you are diametrically opposed to Him and the powers of Heaven are fight-

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will have a tremendous impact. Also with us in these conferences, in all four of them, will be Mr. Albert A. Lane of Moncton, New Brunswick, Canada, who has come to work with me full-time. He is an amazingly popular pianist. There is a charm and lilt and rhythm and beauty to his playing that not only pleases fine musicians but tremendously charms common people everywhere. He is pianist, singer and song director. Also with us will be Mr. Warren Steward who comes to me as song leader beginning April 30 in the city-wide revival campaign at Clarksburg, West Virginia. He is a graduate of Bob Jones University, was two and a half years youth minister of the big Trinity Methodst Church in Los Angeles, Dr. Bob Shuler pastor. He is an ordained Baptist preacher, but has been especially used of God in leading. He comes to us from song leading in big Los Angeles Youth for Christ. He will be a real blessing. And his wife, Mabel Steward, will be in some of the conferences, too. She is to be with me regularly in revival campaigns as pianist and secretary. Warren and Mabel are greatly loved wherever they have worked and I know they will be a blessing. Then, of coures, there will be a number of fine musicians among the Christian workers who attend the conferences. We will learn new choruses, hear new special music by the finest musicians, and there will be a heart-warming lilt and enthusiasm to all the congregational singing.

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The first SWORD OF THE LORD Conference for Revival and Soul Winning this summer is at Lake Arrowhead, New York, a few miles from Binghamton. Here the rates are very moderate. Dr. Harry Clarke will be in charge of the music. Bill and I will both be there, of course, and a number of Christian leaders in that area will take part, also. Here is a beauty spot in the East. Many from the Midwest and many from the Lore New England would delight to come to this lovely place for the first Sword Conference on Revival and Soul Winning. A folder will June 25-July 2.

Lake Louise, Toccoa, Ga., July 10-16

Beautiful Lake Louise conference grounds was built by R. G. LaTourneau. It has a beautiful air-conditioned hotel, a steeldomed auditorium seating sixteen hundred. Lake Louise itself nestles ike a gem among the pine-clad hills of northeast Georgia. It is a charming spot. There are boats for rowing and fishing, tennis courts, a baseball diamond, and so forth. Several types of accommodations are available from inexpensive dormitory rooms, to rooms with private bath. The rooms with private bath. country abounds in beautiful scenery. Toccoa Falls, higher than Niagara, is a few miles away. On Friday will be Bob Jones University day. There is a wonderful drive down through the Smoky Mountains, for those coming from the Midwest or from the North and East, Save time for THE SWORD OF THE LORD Conference on Revival and Soul Winning at Lake Louise, Toccoa, Georgia, Monday through Sunday, July 10-16.

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that hour when the Lord Jesus stood before Pilate. Do you realize that a million mothers might have named their babies Pontius after one of the greatest judges of all history. But they did not do it. Why? Because he failed to see in which direction God was

Again, we find that hour when the Lord Jesus stood before Herod and yet said not one single, solitary word. You say, "Why did He not try to save Herod? Why did He stand there absolutely silent? be out soon with complete details In that hour when Herod had beas to expenses, program and so headed John the Baptist, Herod forth. But save the time now, had declared war against Heaven itself." The power of Heaven it-self was against him, and the Lord Jesus knew it.

Then there was the rich young ruler. You remember how he stood before our Lord and our Lord loved him when he said to him, "One thing thou lackest." young man nearly joined the march of the stars that day—but not quite.

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May I just say one thing straight to your heart? Sinners, all of them, want deliverance from Hell. They all want comfort but they do not want it on the terms of the gospel. They say, "I want to live my life for myself and have Jesus, too." But, my friend, you cannot do that. You are either living for Christ or you are living for the Devil.

Are you yet where the stars march? You as a Christian may say, "I feel the opposition of Heaven to me; nothing is quite right." Listen! If you will meditate in God's Book day and night and tells us that you will be like a tree planted by the rivers of water. Your leaf also shall not wither and whatsoever you do will prosper. That is what God promises those who obey Him.

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ments of our history. There was and then at the night hour at the Midwest Bible Church. One afternoon I came into my hotel and God led me to change my message for that evening hour. I just could not get any peace. My wife said, "Dear, you promised to show me the city."

I said, "I know it, but I can't get any peace about this evening message." After praying for two hours and a half I changed the message.

That night in the Midwest Church when I got up to preach a woman broke down and began to sob. Later she was one of the number who came forward. When I stepped out to deal with her she said, "Preacher, earlier in the day I started to take my own life. In order to get courage I turned on the radio to get music. But I did not get music; I got the broadcast of the Christian Business Men's Committee. I said in my heart, Though God isn't real to me, He is real to that man. I am going to listen to see where he will be preaching tonight.'
Then I bowed my head in prayer and said, 'O God-if there is a God-speak so clearly tonight that I will know it is from You.' And tonight I knew God was speaking to my heart."

I said, "One question: did you happen to notice when you knelt in prayer?"

She said, "Yes. It was just two o'clock."

I said, "That is a strange thing; it was exactly two o'clock by my wrist watch when in the Planter's Hotel right in the heart of the Loop God led me to change my message for tonight."

There was a soul saved. She got in touch with God, confessed her seek to please Him, the first Psalm sins and forsook them; was born tells us that you will be like a again. Won't you do it? "He that covereth his sins shall not prosper: but whoso confesseth and forsaketh them shall have mercy" (Prov. 28:13). Will you turn to Christ right now? So long as your sins are covered God is moving in the other direction, but the momoment you turn from them to Jesus you step onto God's side, in the heavenlies where the stars

The Editor's Appeal

You have read the above fervent message by Evangelist Lennard Darbee. If you have not trusted Christ, then God and His universe fight against you. Will you today get on God's side by honestly repenting of your sin and trusting Christ as your own Saviour? Jesus is ready to save you. He said, "The Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely" (Rev. 22:17). If you will, you may turn to Christ this moment, depending on Him to forgive you and save you. Then you will be on God's side, on the winning side, with sins forgiven, with a new heart, with a home in Heaven. Will you make this holy decision today? If you will, first Lane and others. A descriptive say yes to God in your heart and pending on Christ to save you. Then sign this decision form below. Then copy it in a letter and mail it to me. I will send you a letter of counsel and encouragement and rejoice with you. Do it today!

Evangelist John R. Rice, Editor THE SWORD OF THE LORD 214 West Wesley Street Wheaton, Illinois

Dear Brother Rice: I have read Evangelist Lennard Darbee's sermon on "God's Stars Fight Against Sinners." I know it is not only wicked but disastrously ruinous to be lined up against God. I confess that I am a poor, lost sinner who needs savturn my heart from my sin, trust Christ to save my soul and give me everlasting life. I am glad to claim Him as my Saviour and by His grace, will try to live for Him

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Four Paramount Steps to Revival

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we had the most awful depression we have ever known and then the similar fate. When fundamentalmost bloody war in mankind's ists backbite, gossip, and devour history. Yet we are farther away, from God than ever. Oh, for a and malice, it is high time for mighty, soul-stirring, Holy Ghost, Christ-exalting, Devil-defeating New Testament revival!

When over half our population never enter church doors; when there are over half a million saloons in our land, with more barmaids than college girls, it is time for revival. When Christians no longer have family altars and our home life is a thing of the past, with children disobedient to parents, it is time for a spiritual awakening. Today too many parents are not on spanking terms with their children.

I had lunch in a Montana home. Four teen-age girls rushed into the house while I was there. Sobbing, said that while they were bing, said that while they were don't you preach on women's walking down main street, four clothing?" How can I preach on school boys invited them to a ride. They had driven out to a secluded spot near this home and given the order, "Do things or and these girls had run away to the first house they

I wonder why such parents are unconcerned as to where their children are and what they are doing? When the devilish doctrine of evolution is loudly proclaimed in most of our colleges and now even in our high schools, it is time for God's people to sing, "Revive us again." Our high schoolers are taught that we descended from a monkey, or frog, or tadpole. I am reminded of a

Once I was a tadpole when I began to begin;

Then I was a frog with my tail tucked in.

Next I was a monkey on a banyan tree

And now I am a doctor with a Ph. D."

When high schools have clubs where no girl can be a member unless she proves she is no longer virtuous and has relationship with every boy in that club, it is high time for some old-fashioned revival preaching.

In one California high school where I preached an amazing number of expectant mothers in great revivals are preceded by one year were reported to me. I don't know if that touches your heart or not, but it should do something to you. When we have smoking, movie-going, dancing church members, we need to pray, "It is time for thee, Lord, to work: for they have made void thy law."

Dancing church members! You will never make me believe that praying knee and a dancing foot will grow on the same leg. No girl can dance very long and retain her power to blush. The dance is the Devil's way to the young girl and the young girl's way to the Devil. There was a time when the dance was a halfway decent thing. A young man would politely bow and say, "May I have the honor of this dance?" and they would just hold finger tips, waltz around the room with

When pastors politic and con-nive, saying, "You have me at your church for a series of meetings and I will have you at mine." it is time to pray for revival. You tickle me, I tickle you. It is time for revival when pastors brag at conventions exclaiming "My church is in the best condition it has ever been. Things are going swell. Say, is there a pastorless church in your section?" When preachers spend more time hunting and fishing and golfing than seeking to win souls, our hearts seeking to win souls, our hearts should cry out for revival. To-day the Devil is slaying many preachers. Many are falling by the wayside.

It is time for revival when preachers no longer believe in revivals. When college professors deny the fundamental truths of God's Word, it is time to herald the revival note. When one denies the virgin birth or other great

United States to her knees? First gospel verities, he becomes a modern Judas Iscariot and deserves a revival. When preachers spend all their time on prophecy, claiming that we are in the last days and therefore are not supposed to win souls, it is time for revival. When youth leaders write books telling us to only preach fifteen or twenty minutes, it is time for revival. Somebody has said that today we want sermonettes by preacherettes for Christianettes in revival-

When American women consider it fashionable to dress immodestly, it is time for revival. Some women today don't wear enough clothing to keep a New Jersey mosquito warm on a hot August night. Perhaps you ask, "Why women's clothing when many times there is just nothing much left to preach on?

When you go into churches and they are so cold you notice a resemblance to the North Pole, it is time for revival. Most times it is true that when you go into an iceberg church you will usually find a polar bear in the pulpit.

Yes, our only solution is a mighty revival. Somebody says that the day of revivals is over, and hatched in Hell, My God is still on the throne. His promises are still yea and amen in Christ; the Lord Jesus is still seeking to save the lost; the Holy Spirit is still more powerful than all the atomic bombs; the Word can still blast the most stony hearts. It is up to us. Do we want revival? Are we willing to pay the price? There are four vital steps we must take to revival. Christians must confess sin, get back to prayer, be filled with the Spirit, and travail for lost souls.

Step Number One to Revival: Confession of Sin

If we are going to have a revival in this country there must be a genuine time of confession of sin on the part of Christians, All much contrition, conviction and condemnation of sin. Sin, from Eden to the last tick of your watch, is a withering curse that blights the world, saddens human life, and blackens human history. Sin is responsible for every broken heart, every ruined home, every prison, every grave. It is a deadly disease which contaminates with its deadly virus every fiber of man's being. Like an opiate, it deadens the will. Like a demon, it maddens the brain. Like obnoxious venom, it poisons the heart. Like a ravenous beast, it maims and cripples the soul; and like a fiend when it has bound its victim hand pray was while driving in his car. and foot, it drags him down the dread winding stairs that slope through darkness into the infernal regions of a never-ending Hell. Always everywhere, the wages of sin is death.

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backs instead of the world to our backs. I realize there are some people who say they never sin, but such people are as truthful as the man who said he walked down Pike's Peak with a wildcat under each arm and never got a scratch. D. L. Moody said, "Whenever anyone openly claims he is so sanctified that he commits no sin, you had better put two detectives on his track. You will soon find out that his creed and his life do not agree."

The writer of Hebrews 13:8 tells us that if we are without chastisement, we are not sons of God but illegitimate children. Thus if God does not whip you you are not His child; and when He whips you, it is for sin. In the prayer the Lord taught His disciples in Luke, He told them to pray, "Forgive us our sins." Notice that in the introduction He says, "Our Father." Thus it is the Christian who is to pray this.

John the Beloved says that if we confess our sins He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins. That was written to Christians, not unsaved ones. We often quote II Chronicles 7:14. There we see that God's children are commanded to turn from their wicked ways. The wise man says in Pro-verbs 28:13, "He that covereth his sins shall not prosper: but whoso confesseth and forsaketh them shall have mercy." In James 5:16, James tells us to confess our faults one to another. In 4:17 he says, "To him that knoweth to do good, and doeth it not, to him it is sin." Constantly you are guilty but that lie was born of the Devil of that. All around you are people you should win to Christ, yet you don't do it.

Daniel, Ezra, and Nehemiah confessed their sins. Are you better than they? In Nehemiah 9:2 we read that they separated themselves and stood and confessed their sins and the iniquities of their fathers. In fact, they confessed one-fourth part of the day. It would take longer than that to confess the sins of America. If you want a good example of real confessing of sin, turn to Psalm 51 and see David on his face crying out, "Wash me thoroughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. For I acknowledge my transgressions: and my sin is ever before me. Against thee, thee only, have I sinned, and done this evil.... Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow Hide thy face from my sins, and blot out all mine iniquities.' If we can get people to honestly and sincerely do this, we will give the Devil a knockout blow.

Step Number Two to Revival: Prayer

Not only must we confess our sins, but we must get back to prayer. There is no other way to revival Prayer changes things and prayer changes people. If you are too busy to pray, you are too busy.

A Bible school president told me that the only time he had to Methinks that man is too busy. There is nothing the Devil hates as much as prayer. He will do everything within his power to keep you from your knees. Once when my older girl was three

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years of age I was praying in my living room one morning while my wife was shopping. My little girl was in the kitchen and saw a candy bar in the cabinet. When she couldn't reach it she got the high chair and stood on it, but was still unable to reach it. There was no one to get it for her but me, and I was in prayer. Thus she knelt by me and joined me in the prayer meeting. She waited only a few seconds and then said, 'Amen, Amen, Amen." She must have thought I was hard of hearing because she put her mouth by my ear and louder cried out, "Amen, Amen." I was surely tickled on the inside, but I covered up my head to keep her from seeing my smiling and continued to pray. She sighed and said, "Daddy sho do pray hard and he pray too long." A few seconds later she slapped me on the back and exclaimed, "Daddy, will you quit praying and go get me the candy bar?

But we must pray to have revival. We can never substitute organization for agonization and expect God to mightily use us. If this old world is ever to again get back on her feet, the church must first go to her knees. In Luke 6:12 we read that four Lord spent all night in prayer. Samuel prayed all night. Moody prayed two hours daily. In Acts 6:4 we read where they gave themselves continually to prayer. First Peter 4:7 tells us to watch unto prayer Yet some people seem to think we can have tides of spiritual power without prayer, but it can-(Continued on page 7)

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How do people try to rear a family without prayer in these ungodly days? What do people do in the hour of need if they don't go to God in prayer?

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In Matthew 21:22 we read, "And all things whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall repeculiar place—a jail," and a ceive." My life verse in Psalm peculiar hour—midnight. We need 84:11 says, "The Lord God is a some midnight prayer meetings sun and shield: the Lord will give grace and glory: no good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly." Then Psalm 81:10 declares, "I am the Lord thy God, which brought thee out of the land of Egypt: open thy mouth wide, and I will fill it." Jeremiah 33:3 tells us, "Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and shew thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not." Paul tells us in Ephesians 3:20 that He is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think.

Spurgeon said, "Little faith will take your soul to Heaven but great faith will bring heaven into your soul." Let's believe God in Prayer. Let us go to our prayer closets to plead the promises of God and then meet together in prayer groups to tarry there until the flood tides of Heaven come bubbling over our souls.

Step Number Three to Revival: the Filling of the Holy Spirit

Next, I am going to say that we must have a mighty outpouring of the Holy Spirit in order to have revival. No doctrine has been so abused and misused is tragic that at this point a conservative preacher has to take time something fanatical.

A Southern preacher once had a would be the greatest preacher in America." The night he preached that—something that gives us hot other Comforter and He head like a frigidaire.

imperative command. We are told in Numbers 27:18 that Joshua was a man in whom is the Spirit. John was in the Spirit on the Lord's Day, And if more preachers and Sunday School teachers were in the Spirit on the Lord's Day, revivals would break out. When we are filled with more Holy Spirit fire, more sinners are going to be saved from Hell fire. If our sermons don't have more fire in them, we had better put those sermons in the fire.

The Holy Spirit will come into our lives and not only burn up some things that need destroying but He will warm up some things that need unfreezing. He will cause us to be a peculiar people. Usually it is true that when you get out of step with the drum of this godless age you will be marching in tune to Heaven's harmony. We must dare to do differently from the world or we are doomed to die. Christ commands and commends courageous comrades. The Holy Spirit will cause us to have Christ on the throne and self on the cross in our lives. Only when we die to self can we live wholly and fully for Christ. The less of self we retain, the more of Him we can claim and attain. Then we will be able to say with John the Baptist, "He must increase, but I must decrease" (John 3:30.) Col-

Tell me, are you yearning to be filled with the Spirit? The Word says in Matt 5:8, "Blessed are they which hunger and thirst me, and drink...out of his belly rejoicing, bringing his sheaves shall flow rivers of living water." Again He says that He will pour speak to souls? water upon the thirsty.

In Oklahoma City I had an exthe doctrine of the Holy Spirit. It perience with the Holy Spirit that is too sacred to mention. Luke 11:13 says, "How much more 11:13 says, out to declare that he is talking shall your heavenly Father give about that which is sane and the Holy Spirit to them that sensible and Scriptural and not ask Him?" I held a meeting in one of the largest Baptist churches in Jacksonville, Florida, and lady come to him to say, "Brother, the pastor there laughed at me if you just spoke in tongues you and made fun of me, saying, "This verse is not for this dispensation. We are not supposed to pray for on "Belshazzar's Feast" and the writing on the wall, "Mene, Mene, Tekel, Upharsin," this woman Jumped up and shouted, "He's got be saved without the Holy Spirit it! He's got it! He's got it!" I am and our bodies are His temple. not talking about something like The Lord said, "I send you anshall heads and cool hearts. We need to abide with you forever." Paul have a heart like a furnace and a tells us in Ephesians that we are sealed by the Spirit until the day In Zechariah 4:6 we read that of redemption. However, we are it is not by might nor by power not filled with the Spirit as we but by my Spirit saith the Lord should be. I am so tired of manof hosts. Unless the Holy Spirit made programs, of running on hufills, the human spirit always fails.

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man machinery, of things worked up in the flesh. We need the oil of the Holy Spirit. We cannot get the job done without Him.

> Spirit, now melt and move All of our hearts with love. Breathe on us from above With old-time power.

Step Number Four to Revival: **Soul-Winning Passion**

Last of all, I wish to stress that we must have a burning, yea, a deep yearning passion for souls. Proverbs 11:30 tells us that he that winneth souls is wise. The Revised translation puts it this way, "He that is wise winneth

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A Farmer in Indiana

One of the readers of THE SWORD tells how God used the paper to bring him under conviction.

"You published a sermon THE SWORD OF THE LORD (Jan. 9, 1948) on 'Restitution and Reconciliation.' I have read and reread this piece and have it before

"Eighteen years before I was the ground and moved away. I so long. But, praise His name, cut and threshed some clover seed

and put their third up in separate bags; then the next spring I got cramped for money and sold it. It brought \$17.00 It is still standing unpaid. I made a trip to Evansville to see one of the heirs when I was saved, to pay it, but she had moved to California and I know not whether any are living now.

"I am sending you \$25.00 to use aved I farmed a piece of land that as you see fit, and ask the dear belonged to some heirs. They sold Lord to forgive me for keeping it

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ter the other world and the sands at five o'clock to pray for souls she have about run out before they would have said, "Are you crazy?" have about run out before they begin to speak to that one about Christ. The Lord wept over Jeruwith him." Why do you not

Lost for want of a word!

A word that you might have spokenknows what eyes may be Who

dim, Or hearts be aching or broken.

Go, scatter beside all waters, Nor sicken at hope deferred; Let never a soul by thy dumbness Be lost for want of a word.

Paul said in Romans 10:1 "Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is, that they might be saved." More than all else, Paul wished to win souls. There is some one thing that is foremost in your life. What is it? There is something you enjoy more than all else. Some men rather be a business or political success than anything else. With many of our young people it is pleasure. America is pleasure wild. With some people it is a new automobile. There are those who spend more time shining their cars than they do seeing that their souls shine for God. Some people love clothes more than anything else.

Once a song leader traveled with me for a brief time and he could outprimp any girl in the land. Actually he loved clothes more than he did lost souls. He more than he did lost souls. He thought he was the best dressed for the slain of the daughter of my people." If you will read the man in the country. He esp loved a loud race-track suit and he said, "This will really make their eyes pop out when I go to the YFC Convention."

In a western city I stayed in a very lovely home. These people were fine citizens. They didn't tithe, have family altar, go to prayer meeting, but they did go to church on Sunday mornings. Although I was holding meetings in her church, this lady couldn't get out every night. But two mornings while I was there she got up at five o'clock. The second night when I got home she was sitting there with her shoes off and she said: "I don't think I

souls." Daniel 12:3 says, "And have ever been this exhausted. I they that be wise shall shine as have been on my feet all day and the brightness of the firmament; have only had a sandwich and cup and they that turn many to of coffee all day. As you know, righteousness as the stars for the past two days I got up early. ever and ever." If you don't win I have been running a rummage ossians 1:18 says, "That in all souls there is something wrong sale for the Eastern Star and we things he might have the preminence." souls there is something wrong sale for the Eastern Star and we made \$37.50. Isn't that wonder-wait until a soul is about to enful?" If I had asked her to get up

I was holding meetings in an Oklahoma church and had not after righteousness: for they shall be filled." David cried, "Lead me to the rock that is higher than I."

Our Lord said in John 7:37, "If weepeth, bearing precious seed, bearing precious seed, "Now it doesn't mean shall doubtless come again with just our local Associations." includes several Associations." How proud she was of that office! While I was there they had their annual meeting. She couldn't do much work in our revival campaign because she was so busy on her WMU program. I remember she said, "I will have to put Annie on the progam. I just detest her, but I will have to put her on the program." After the meeting she said to this woman: "Annie, you were wonderful. And that dress is so stunning." Of course she had to have a special hairdo for this meeting and she got up early to primp and to dress. When it came time to elect new officers she put her three chociest friends on the nominating committee. This committee did just what she knew they would do. They said, "Our President is so wonderful we think we should elect her again." Driving home she said to me. "Brother Winn, they elected me again. Isn't that marvelous?" I went to bedroom and cried out, my "Lord, if this woman loved souls like she loved that office, what a revival we would have."

> If you and I cared for souls as we should, there would be sobbing all over this place today. Jeremiah said in the first verse of his ninth chapter, that my head were waters, and mine eyes a fountain of tears, that I might weep day and night sixteenth chapter of Luke three times daily for the next sixty days it will do something to you.

> John Bunyan spent twelve years in the jail of Bedford. His blind daughter came to him to say, "Father, mother is so sick and we need you at home. The authorities said that if you promised not to preach they would let you out this afternoon." This man of God answered, "If they let me out of here this afternoon, tonight I shall try to win some dear soul for the Lord Jesus Christ." How can I preach to you without tears blinding my eyes when millions of souls are going to Hell?

> I saw a picture of Sammy Baugh, professional football play-er for the Washington Redskins. This full-page picture in "Life" magazine showed Sammy Baugh bitterly weeping because he was injured and could not be in the game. When I saw that I cried out, "O God, when Christians love souls like that revival will come." We will never have a great, grand, and glorious revival until Christians travail for lost souls.

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Mrs. Warbler sat on them till they hatched.

PRODIGAL PARENTS

"What is the matter with the young birds nowadays? Why are so many of them so wild?" How often these questions are asked in Wington when it is reported how many young birds quarrel and cheat and steal and stay out late young birds quarrel and cheat and steal and stay out late "If your staff ever gets disat night! It is common knowledge that the Owl children and couraged, tell them that there the Bat children sometimes stay out until dawn!

Well, Mr. J. Edgar Kingbird and, being the Head of the FBI (the Feathered Bureau of Investigation) he should know-Mr. Kingbird says the real trouble with the young birds is the old birds-by which he means their fathers and mothers.

that the Owl children stay out until the wee small hours, because their parents are night-owls themselves! Not so very long ago as Mr. and Mrs. Owl started out to their club one evening, Mrs. Owl said to little Hoo-Hoo Owl, 'Don't bother to wait up for us, dear. We have a key." But, when she and Mr. Owl returned, several hours later, little Hoo-Hoo opened the door for them. Said Mrs. Owl, "You should have gone to sleep. I told you we had a key." "Yes," said little Hoo-Hoo, "but Grandmother is not in yet, and she does not have a key!" But, back to Mr. J. Edgar King-

bird. "So many parents," he says, "being quite busy with parties and meetings of all kinds, allow their children to roam the woods and the fields, leaving the responsibility of their up-bringing to nurses and neighbors and teachers and the Sunday School. But, it does not work," says he, "because there is no substitute for the love and care and the personal attention which every little bird needs and has the right to expect from its own father and mother. In general," insists Mr. Kingbird, "the wildness of the young birds is accounted for by the neglect of the old birds."

A good example-or rather, a bad example-is Mrs. Cowbird. Do you know how she raises her children? She is too lazy to build her own nest and too taken-up with parties and clubs to hatch her own eggs. So, the other day while Mrs. Warbler was attending choir rehearsal, Mrs. Cowbird sneaked up to her nest and slipped was that laid the Cowbird egg in Mrs. Warbler's nest this year? Not one of her own eggs into the little brown pocket—then sneaked away again.

When Mrs. Warbler returned, she exclaimed, "What, again? Twice is once too many! I'll not do it a second time!" You see,

Mrs. Cowbird did the same thing last year, and Mrs. Warbler, having a very warm heart under her warm feathers, let the egg stay. And, having placed three of her own beside it, she sat on all of them until they hatched. But, For example, it is not surprising what do you think? Mrs. Elsie Cowbird's egg hatched two days earlier than her own. Thus Phoebe Cowbird had the start on the three little warblers, and whenever Mrs. Warbler brought home a worm, Phoebe would grab it first and swallow it before one of the little warblers could so much as get a nibble. She was so selfish and greedy that Mrs. Warbler's own little children almost starved to death, and all of them were very much relieved when one day Phoe-be Cowbird flew away and never came back.

Everywhere Phoebe went she was selfish and quarrelsome, never dividing the worms and bugs she found, and stealing whatever she could from other birds. For this reason she was very unpopular in Wington. She was what one calls, "A Bad Egg"—only she was already hatched! Which was really worse than if she had never been born at all.

Her mother met her one day and gave her quite a scolding. "You should be ashamed of your-self," she said. "You are a disgrace to Wington. Why have you turned out like this? You have always had everything you wanted!"
Which, perhaps was the very reason Phoebe was spoiled and wild. She had always had everything

Be that as it may, now that she is grown she looks so much like her mother that you can hardly tell them apart—and acts like her too, for who do you suppose it was that laid the Cowbird egg in

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fertilizing His trees through His faithful servants who dare to declare His whole council, which causes them to yield fruit during the latter rain ere they are cut down. Oh, praise His holy name! He has not dealt with us after our sins, nor rewarded us according to our iniquities.

D.H.D. Mt. Vernon, Ind.

A Housewife in New Jersey

This letter from a housewife is full of praise to God and was a real encouragement to our hearts.

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are many housewives like my-self, going through the monotony of much laundry, cleaning, the care of small children, meal-getting, who are much encouraged by your efforts day by day in the countless jobs related to get-

ting out such a fine paper.
"I find much encouragement in
II Chronicles 19:6 where Jehosha-

Elsie, but Phoebe Cowbird! And that is what made Mrs. Warbler so angry when she found the second Cowbird egg in her nest. "Like mother, like daughter!" she ex-claimed. "I'll never hatch another

Cowbird egg as long as I live!" So, she did a very clever thing. She just added another story to her nest-by which I mean, she put a new floor of grass and straw on top of the cowbird egg and left it down there in that cold cellar while she hatched her own little brood in the nice warm nest above.

So far as I know, Phoebe Cow-bird's egg is still there, unhatched, and by this time, no doubt, spoiled. And now you know why Phoebe Cowbird has no little children. Perhaps you will agree with me that Phoebe and her kind do not deserve to have little children!

(From the book, BIRD LIFE IN WINGTON, by Rev. J. Calvin them to your children.)

I would like to call the at-tention of our friends to a won-

derful letter that we received a day or two ago. Here it is: "I am enclosing a check for the Student Loan Endowment

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have been for me. I did so want an education and worked hard

for one; but when I was ready for high school, my health fail-

for high school, my health failed. I did not have the strength to work my way through school and study too. Money at that time was very scarce in our family, So my cherished dream never materialized.

I saw many young people, whose parents had money and wanted their children to have a good education, waste their time and squander money while

a good education, waste time and squander money while

time and squander money while going to higher schools of learning. They did not appreciate their opportunity. Many other young people along down the years that would have really made good were denied the chance because of the lack of means to help them pay their way.

I do not believe in pamper-

their way.

ing to His will.

something like this Student name.

He has a way of digging and phat says to the judges he has appointed, 'Take heed what we do: for ye judge not for man, but for the Lord, who is with you in the judgment.' As I do my housework for the Lord and 'as unto Him,' I realize that I am serving Him, and the burden is indeed light, as He said.

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(Mrs.) Murray E. Steele Trenton, N. J.

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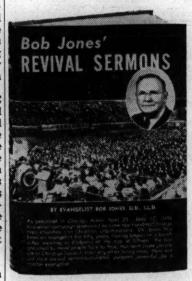
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